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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Ralph James Attorney Docket No.: 501292.01  
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Title : METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SYNCHRONIZING COMMUNICATIONS  
LINKS IN A HUB-BASED MEMORY SYSTEM

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97 through 1.98, applicant wishes to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office the references set forth on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the cited non-patent literature reference, as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), are enclosed. Copies of the cited U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publications will not be submitted herewith in accordance with the waiver by the Office of the requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(i) for U.S. national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003. Although the aforesaid references are made known to the Patent and Trademark Office in compliance with applicant's duty to disclose all information he is aware of which is believed relevant to the examination of the above-identified application, applicant believes that his invention is patentable.

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 09/994,516, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on November 26, 2001. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/165,787, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on June 7, 2002. This related application, as well as

any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/215,505, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on August 9, 2002. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/211,036, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on August 2, 2002. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/601,222, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on June 20, 2003. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/213,038, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on August 5, 2002. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/601,104, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on June 19, 2003. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/238,322, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the

subject matter of this application, was filed on September 9, 2002. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/232,842, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on August 29, 2002. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/601,253, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on June 20, 2003. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/232,473, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on August 29, 2002. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/601,252, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on June 20, 2003. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/222,415, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on August 16, 2002. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/222,393, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on August 16, 2002. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/690,810, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on October 20, 2003. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/645,288, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on August 20, 2003. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/644,522, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on August 19, 2003. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/660,844, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on September 12, 2003. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/651,801, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on August 28, 2003. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/665,904, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on September 18, 2003. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/653,044, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on August 28, 2003. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

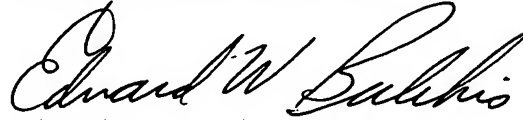
Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/695,383, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on October 27, 2003. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Applicants also wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office that an application, Serial No. 10/460,588, describing and claiming subject matter that is similar to the subject matter of this application, was filed on June 11, 2003. This related application, as well as any prior art cited therein, may be material to the examination of this application. A copy of this related application as filed is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

Please acknowledge receipt of this Information Disclosure Statement and kindly make the cited references of record in the above-identified application.

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